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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THIS writer was shown yesterday, by its owner, a copy of the Philadelphia Inquirer of Monday, May 2, 1898. It carried on its front page the thrilling story of the destruction by Admiral Dewey of the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Manila the day before.

His epoch-making story was told under headlines about half as large as those used by the newspapers of today to chronicle the story of the latest gang killing in New York or Chicago, or to tell the verdict of the Masse jury in Honolulu.

Newspaper methods change, along with other methods, don't they?

THE news of this tremendous event reached the United States by way of Spain, whence it was carried from Manila by official Spanish cable. Radio hadn't yet been thought of.

The Spanish naval authorities, writing for home consumption, made it sound like a fairly notable Spanish victory.

Kidding the public was a well-developed institution, even in those early days.

DEWEY'S victory freed the Philippine Islands from the cruel and vicious rule of Spain, and we pat ourselves on the back and swelled out our chests and told ourselves that we had done a great moral service to the cause of humanity.

Now the Filipinos are demanding loudly to be freed from the rule of the wicked Americans.

To hear them tell it, we are the world's worst.

WE went to war again in 1917, this time to save France from destruction and to make the world safe for democracy.

We did the job, but to hear the French tell it we ruined them for life, and as for making the world safe for democracy we certainly made a hash of that, too.

We are about as popular as a rattlesnake with the nations for whom we shed our blood and spent our treasure.

SOME day, some far distant day when we have grown much wiser than we are now, we Americans may learn that the smart thing for us to do is to mind our own business and let other people look out for themselves.

BUT this old paper wasn't all taken up with war and bloodshed. It pictured, as a good newspaper should, the life of its day.

Among other exciting events, it told of a young blood of the gay nineties who took out his brand new bicycle and burned up the streets with reckless speed and finally came to grief by crashing into a beer truck.

They called it "scorching" when the hell-bent young rakes of the nineties did things like that with their bicycles, and the good people who read of such deeds of depravity wondered what the world was coming to.

THIS ancient newspaper contains a department entitled: "Our Sisters, Cousins and Aunts," and the writer of this department comes unblushingly right out in print and tells how the women of 1898 spent their time.

"Many women buy a cheap corset cover; paying but nine cents for it. They take the nine-cent corset cover and put insertion in it, edge it with needlework and dress it up until it is worth \$1.50. They run baby rind through the insertion, and they tie it around the throat with the same ribbon.

"They then set a band of embroidery around the waist and run a tiny ribbon through the band. These they tie in front, giving the corset a very smart appearance."

AND after that, if this writer has been correctly informed, they covered up the darned thing with a heavy woolen dress that reached clear up under their chins, so that all the men could see was this same heavy woolen dress.

No wonder the men were so willing to go to war and fight the Spaniards. With the women folk holding out on them like that, they would have been justified in being mad enough to fight a buzz saw.

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Baruch Endorses Equalization Fee

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—A letter from Bernard Baruch, New York financier, endorsing the principle of the equalization fee, was read today to the senate agriculture committee.

SENATOR LONG IN FIERY OUTBURST AGAINST LEADERS

Louisiana Democrat Resigns All Committee Places With Dramatic Flourish—Wants Higher Income Tax

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—Attacking the democratic leadership, Senator Long, (D., La.) today resigned from all senate committees.

In a dramatic flourish, Long stood on the senate floor and sent his resignation from all committees to the desk after attacking the leadership of the party by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, and others.

The Louisiana senator shouted "I want to resign from every committee assignment given me by the democratic party."

Spoke at Robinson
He announced that if a candidate for the farmer labor party representing his views on redistribution of wealth faced a candidate like Robinson in the fall presidential elections he would vote for the farmer laborer.

He said he would vote for a republican candidate favoring limitations on swollen incomes, over a democratic candidate with the views of Bernard M. Baruch.

When his resignations from the committees on naval affairs, manufacture, commerce and inter-oceanic canals had been read, Senator Long demanded in a great shout:

New Leadership Needed
"There has got to be another leadership responsible to the American people."

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LUMBER INDUSTRY EMPLOYING MORE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—(AP)—An increase of six per cent from February to March was reported today by the federal reserve bank of San Francisco in the number of employees of 128 industrial firms in Oregon.

This is somewhat less than the usual increase in the state between those two months, and the bank's seasonally adjusted index of Oregon industrial employment declined.

An increase of 13.3 per cent over the previous month in the number of workers employed in the lumber industry, accounted for a large part of the seasonal rise.

Compared with March, 1931, all lines except paper and printing showed substantial declines.

SELECTING JURY FOR BAKER TRIAL

PORTLAND, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—With more than half of its members already seated tentatively, selection of a jury to try Major George L. Baker and three other Portland city officials on charges of malfeasance and negligence in office was expected to be completed today.

Standing trial with Baker are two city commissioners, John M. Mann and Earl Riley, and the city engineer, Olaf Laurgaard, and C. Lee Wilson, a contractor. Wilson was named as an alleged accessory in the malfeasance case.

BROWN TO HEAD OREGON ALUMNI

PORTLAND, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—Alexander G. Brown, reporter on the Oregonian for the past eight years, will leave for Eugene next week to take over the duties of secretary of the University of Oregon Alumni association, succeeding Miss Jeanette Calkins, resigned. Brown is a graduate of 1922. His appointment is effective May 1.

Reorganization of the alumni association, designed to put it on an entirely self-supporting basis, was announced Thursday.

The ancient common law held that a child must be heard to cry to attain the status of a living person.

Buried Treasure Found In Vale Ranch Sand Pile

VALE, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—Word of the discovery of \$5000 in old currency, found in a jar which had been buried in a sand pile on the Vale Becker ranch northwest of here, was received in Vale today.

The money, apparently buried many years ago, is assumed to have been part of the fortune of the late Charles Becker, pioneer Malheur county rancher. His small grand-daughter unearthed the jar while playing in the sand on the ranch now operated by her father.

Reptile Coiled About Telephone Provides Shock

SALEM, April 29.—(AP)—A live snake, coiled around the dial of a wall telephone, gave Mrs. W. E. Ingalls a fright here yesterday.

Mrs. Ingalls went to the phone to call a number and did not see the reptile until she had placed her finger on a dial number. She felt a cold chill rather than the customary reaction, she became so startled she called in a neighbor to remove the foot-long snake.

BT. FALLS SCHOOL BATTLE ARGUED IN SUPREME COURT

SALEM, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—Appeal in the case involving teachers' salaries will be before the Oregon supreme court today. Arguments on the suit brought by Leona Stoddard and several other teachers to enforce payment of their salaries under contract will be made during the court session.

Records in the case show that a subsequent school board in district 91, Jackson county, reduced salaries of plaintiffs and later canceled their contracts to teach. Plaintiffs allege they are entitled to their salaries as provided in the contract and during the entire period.

The amount of money exceeds \$5,000. The district board appealed from the Jackson county circuit court decree for the teachers.

This is the Butte Falls school case which was a highly controversial point in Jackson county affairs 18 months ago.

The school fixed the salaries of eight Butte Falls teachers by contract. The county board ordered a reduction when it was allegedly shown that the pay was in excess of that paid in similar districts of the county and state.

The teachers filed suit in the circuit court and were awarded verdicts by a jury. The Butte Falls school board filed an appeal to the supreme court.

The school district is represented by Attorney Porter J. Kelly and the teachers by Kelly & Neff.

BOOST TAX RATE ON MANY ITEMS

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—Carbonated waters, unfermented fruit juices, grape concentrates and brewers' wort were given increased tax rates today by the senate finance committee in revising the house revenue bill.

Cereal beverages was the only product in beverages to get any reduction. The committee cut down this tax from two cents to one and one quarter cent a gallon.

The oil-coal-copper-lumber tariff coalition was gathering its forces for a final fight on the senate floor to restore tariff items to the revenue bill. Oil, coal and copper were rejected yesterday by the committee.

EX-KLAMATH CHIEF JOINS STATE POLICE

SALEM, April 29.—(AP)—Keith Ambrose, former Klamath Falls chief of police, was appointed to the state police, effective May 1. Charles P. Pray, superintendent, announced today.

Ambrose will work under the Medford district and be stationed in Curry county, Pray said. He will make his residence either at Gold Beach or Brookings. Curry county previously has not been patrolled, except out of Coos county.

Thomas on Visit
Charles M. Thomas, public utility commissioner, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas, are in the city today attending to minor official business, and visiting friends. It is the first trip of the Thomases to their old home town in a year. Judge Thomas was busy all day greeting old acquaintances.

LA GRANDE, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—Mike Carroll is in the county jail here today after federal and county officers raided his beer-making plant—but Mike claimed it could have been worse.

Fordham Runner Cuts Own Mark

FRANKLIN FIELD, Philadelphia, April 29.—(AP) Joe McCluskey, stout hearted young Fordham runner, today broke his own Penn relays carnival record with the finest steeplechase performance ever exhibited in this country. He covered the 300-meter obstacle route in 9 minutes, 28.8 seconds in the feature race.

WILL CUT COSTS IN MAINTENANCE STATE HIGHWAYS

Saving of Over \$100,000 Yearly Expected From Reduced Working Days, Discharge Patrol Crews

PORTLAND, Ore., April 29.—(AP)—Steps looking toward the saving of more than \$100,000 a year in the operation of the highway department were taken by the state highway commission late yesterday.

Reduction of the working day of maintenance and shop crews and the elimination of three patrol crews were ordered upon recommendation of Engineer R. H. Baldock.

The commissioners also awarded all but one of the 14 projects for which bids were opened yesterday, including the contract for aerial surveys, another inauguration looking toward saving over ground surveys in routing new roads. The total work awarded would amount to about \$450,000. Jobs to cost more than a half million dollars will be advertised at the next meeting, the commission announced last night.

More than \$7000 a month will be saved by the highway department in inauguration of a seven-hour day for maintenance and shop crews, Baldock said in recommending that action to the commission. The new order will go into effect some time in June, Baldock said, after the spring work has been taken care of.

The commission further endorsed Baldock's recommendation that three patrol crews, or 12 men, be eliminated, to effect a saving of approximately \$100,000 a year.

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HIGHWAY BEAUTY CAMPAIGN PLANS DRAWN AT MEET

A county-wide campaign for cleaning up and beautifying the Pacific highway will be launched early in May, according to plans made by the Jackson county committee at a meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce last night.

The move being made at this time to participate in the "Samuel Last night" meeting, which was Pacific Highway, and it is hoped that Jackson county may win one of the attractive cash prizes offered by the Memorial Highway association in memory of Samuel Hill, the great road builder. Five hundred dollars cash will be awarded the county in Oregon making the best showing in beautifying the Pacific highway within its own borders and \$200 will be given the county taking second place.

High Contest for Beautification of the highway by C. L. McDonald, chairman, was attended by representatives from all parts of the county and much enthusiasm was shown by those present.

Preliminary plans call for the cleaning up of all tin cans and rubbish, planting flowers and trees, painting weather-beaten barns, sheds and fences, and the removal of old ramshackle buildings which are no longer being used.

Each resident and property owner will be asked to co-operate and to put his property in the best possible shape before the tourist season when thousands of visitors will travel through the county on a route to the Olympic games and the hundreds of Pacific coast conventions scheduled for this summer.

Charles Wakelind was appointed chairman of the committee to raise funds to purchase the paint and it is expected that the labor will be donated.

All service station owners will be asked to beautify their property with flowers, shrubs and trees and a fine response is anticipated. The various Jackson county Granges will be asked to participate and co-operation of the Bellevue and Central Point Granges is already assured. With the outside districts already showing keen interest in the cleanup program it is now up to Medford to make at least as good a showing within the city limits. The need for immediate action was stressed at the meeting as the time is short and much work must be done in the next few weeks, the contest closing on May 21.

Norace Bromley was appointed to take charge of the county-wide publicity campaign to stress the need for highway beautification and the many benefits which will accrue to the property owners who participate. A meeting of the general committee was announced by Chairman MacDonald for Monday, May 2.

Jurors Debating Fate of Navy Members



The jury in the trial of Mrs. Granville Fortescue, Lieut. Thomas H. Massie and two enlisted men, shown walking to a Honolulu hotel, where they are temporarily quartered during consideration of the testimony in the honor slaying case.

HONOLULU JURY NEARING VERDICT IN LYNCH CASE

HONOLULU, April 29.—(AP)—A loud cheer from behind the glazed doors of the deliberating room at exactly 11 o'clock led watchers on the outside today to believe that the jury in the Joseph Kahahawai lynching case was at least getting together after its deadlock.

The jurors having been out more than 40 hours at the time, Judge Charles S. Davis, it was learned, had been considering "sandbag" instructions to impress upon the twelve men the necessity of reaching a verdict if possible.

Just previously Montgomery Winn of the defense had suggested that Judge Davis call in the jurors and ask if they had been able to reach a verdict as to any of the four defendants. The jurist said he might do this later but not now. He had instructed them to bring in a separate verdict for each.

BASEBALL RESULTS

American	R	H	E
Philadelphia	1	5	0
Boston	2	7	0
Batteries: Earnshaw and Cochran; Weaver and Berg.			
National	R	H	E
Chicago	5	13	1
Cleveland	5	13	1
Faber, McKain and Grube; Hudlin, Connally and Myatt.			
International	R	H	E
New York	7	8	1
Batteries: Russell, Moore, Welland and Berry; Andrews, Donohue and Dickey, Connolly.			
Philadelphia	R	H	E
New York	3	6	5
Boston	8	12	2
Schumacher, Luque and Hoag; Betts and Spohrer.			

AL SMITH AHEAD IN CONNECTICUT

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 29.—(AP)—Alfred E. Smith stood within 75 votes today of controlling the Democratic state convention May 16 and 17.

With six of the 10 district delegates to the national meeting definitely in the former New York governor's column, his forces also were confident of pledging to him the six delegates at large.

Four hundred and ten delegates to the state convention were instructed for Smith in town caucuses last night, while Franklin D. Roosevelt received the pledges of only 61.

ASHLANDER FACES CONTEMPT ACTION

An order for arrest of Milo W. Parkin of Ashland was issued today by the circuit court for contempt of court for non-payment of maintenance and suit money in a divorce action instituted by his wife. Parkin is in arrears \$95. Hearing of the charge was set for next Monday and bonds fixed at \$250 for appearance.

By a decree in the same action Mrs. Parkin is granted a divorce, custody of a minor child, half interest in a Ford sedan and \$25 per month support money. Mrs. Parkin alleged the sedan was registered in Parkin's name, though she had provided the down payments.

The divorce suit was based on allegations of cruelty said "making love to another Ashlander woman."

SALEM STUDENTS FINED FOR ATTACK ON SCHOOLMATE

SALEM, April 29.—(AP)—Four high school students, charged with assault and battery in the alleged kidnaping and beating of Victor DeJardin, schoolmate, were fined \$25 each late yesterday in Justice court here.

The boys are Frank Cross, James and Charles Reed and Glen Moody. The charges against three others, who were reported to have participated in the kidnaping, were dismissed.

The seven youths, declared to have been members of a recent society, were suspended from high school a week ago, after DeJardin reported he had been "taken for a ride" by them because he would not join the organization. Following the kidnaping, the school board issued a blanket order ousting all secret societies from the school and suspending all members of the boys' and girls' groups until they sign affidavits they have ceased their affiliation.

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COMMITTEE HEARS BONUS OPPONENTS

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—An economist and a soldier joined today in opposing cash redemption of the soldiers' bonus now.

Before the house ways and means committee, Professor Irving Fisher, Yale university economist, and Richard O'Neill, of New York, a former state chairman of the Disabled American veterans, assailed the Patman full payment plan.

Fisher said it would be a blow to business confidence.

O'Neill, a holder of the congressional medal of honor, said needy veterans should be helped, but that "the real veteran wants a job with a living wage."

JAPANESE KILL 200 MANCHURIA REBELS

TOKYO, April 29.—(AP)—The two-day battle between General Murali's brigade of Japanese troops and Chinese rebels, in which 200 rebels were killed without decisive advantage to either side, has been fought near Hallin, Manchuria, Japanese dispatches from Harbin said today.

The battle continued all Wednesday night and Thursday morning, with the insurgents holding their strongly entrenched position.

Friends and Foes Dine With President Hoover

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—they hope to supplant as White House host.

"But you know, one cannot disclose his conversation after being at the White House," observed Roosevelt. "I've been there before, you know."

All did not go off quite smoothly, however, for one of the guests failed to arrive and the remainder were kept waiting 15 minutes. It was Governor Olson of Minnesota, who when found at his hotel explained he had sent his regrets from Richmond and could not attend because he had to catch an early train. He excused himself again and the dinner proceeded without him.

After dinner, the men's coffee and cigars and the president's study, there was a musicale presented by the scarlet coated marine band. Governor Ritchie observed afterwards:

"We had 6-cent cigars, but the music started before we could smoke up more than 20 cents' worth."

The entertainment over, the governors scattered for their home states.

BOMBING OF JAP OFFICERS STIRS SHANGHAI ANEW

Five High Ranking Leaders Wounded As Korean Hurls Powerful Hand Grenade Into Reviewing Stand

SHANGHAI, Saturday, April 30.—(AP)—The man who threw a bomb into the midst of the highest ranking Japanese officers in China, seriously wounding five yesterday, was identified by the police today as Yin Kitau, a Korean revolutionary who came here last August from Manchuria.

The man was dragged off to a police station after he had thrown the bomb, but not before he had been severely beaten by the mob which closed in around him. Today there were reports he had died of his injuries, but these were not confirmed.

TOKYO, April 29.—(AP)—The news of the wounding of Japan's four outstanding military and diplomatic leaders at Shanghai by a bomb today was a tremendous shock to Tokyo.

Newspapers, abounding extra editions on the streets, broke the stillness of the capital's holiday in honor of the emperor's birthday.

Pending official reports of the bombing the government gave no indication of what its action would be, although the belief was expressed in unofficial quarters that the signing of a Sino-Japanese truce, which was expected to occur tomorrow at Shanghai, would be delayed.

By MORRIS J. HARRIS. (Associated Press Staff Correspondent) SHANGHAI, China, April 29.—(AP)—Five ranking Japanese army, navy and diplomatic officials were critically wounded today when a bomb burst among them as they sat in a reviewing stand watching a military parade in honor of the birthday of Emperor Hirohito.

All of them were in serious condition tonight, but the doctors thought they had a chance to recover.

Resume Patrol
Japanese troops appeared in the streets of the Hongkay district immediately resuming the military patrol which was withdrawn after the fighting in this area stopped two months ago. No one knew what the effect of this incident would be on the long-drawn-out peace parleys between the Chinese and Japanese, but it appeared certain that these negotiations would suffer.

A mob of spectators swirled about the bomb thrower and beat him severely before the police broke through and dragged him away. Later the military authorities said they had a

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HOOF AND MOUTH DISEASE WATCHED

SALEM, April 29.—(AP)—Strict vigilance for any evidence of foot and mouth disease and strict quarantine and inspection at the port of Portland was ordered today by Mrs. Gehlhar, following word from California of a breakout of the disease.

Gehlhar said he received a telegram from the California agricultural department stating that four adjoining hog ranches in Orange county were found infected with hoof and mouth disease. The disease, however, was reported in a very limited area and the department has taken steps to prevent spread to other ranches and to other states.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Apr. 28.—Say, I bet Al Smith threw a scare into some of those wise politicians that they don't forget for some distance. Who ever advised Roosevelt to enter that primary anyhow? Running against Smith in Massachusetts is like trying to win a debate with Sister Aimee on her own grounds.

And Smedley Butler in Pennsylvania, he used fine judgment. He ran as a "dry" instead of as a marine.

There is one thing you can bet on this year. No voter is going to do anything that a politician thinks he will. The way most people feel they would like to vote against all of 'em if it was possible.

Will Rogers

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